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- 1. Svilengrad (N 12-15, E 26-12) is divided into four quarters, as follows:
 - a. "Gebran" Quarter:
 - b. "First Bayandur" Quarter:

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- c. "Second Bayandur" Quarter; and
- d. "Kunakliy" Quarter.

"Gebrar" Quarter

- 2. The "Gebran" Quarter is located immediately on the right-hand (west) side of the Maritsa River. It is known to the local inhabitants as "The Second Venice," since it is always flooded when the river overflows. Since 1948, constant attempts have been made to resettle the population of this quarter, since the area is often inundated, but there has been no success in this project to date.
- 3. The quarter is known for having the most anti-Communist sentiments of Svilengrad. It consists of about 360 families, of which not less than 60 were interned from 1949 to 1953, and only six families have become members of the TKZS (Trudovo Kooperativno Zemedelsko Stepanstvo; Cooperative Farm). According to informant, the Party organization in the quarter (which has a population of about 1,500) has no more than 20 members (secretary Zhelyu Avramov) and a DSNM (Dimitrovski Styuz na Narodnata Mladezh; Dimitrov Union of the People's Youth) organization of about 40 members (secretary Stefan Todorov).

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- h. The following are the most important installations in this quarter:
 - 1. The Eastern Orthodox" Church, located south of the Istanbul Highway; its priest (name not known) is known as a "great anti-Communist;"
 - 5. Offices of the State forestry enterprise; located near the Maritsa Rover bridge, on the north side of the Istanbul Highway;
 - The "Otets Paisiy" primary school: located south of the road: the first Daskelov (fnu).

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- Party club; located in the former inn of Nikola Patinov, near the State forestry enterprise;
- e. The Tomov Mill; located north of the Istanbul Highway; recently it was taken over for the needs of the Militia and was modernize --electrified and application with new machiner;
- f. "Gebran Zastava" Border Guard zastava; located in the southermnost and of $\boldsymbol{\omega}$: quarter; and
- 3. "Ostrova" Restaurant; this restaurant is located on a small island in a Maritsa River, north of the bridge, and is reached by a small bridge; if a cone of the most pleasant and well-known places in Svilengrad.

"First Bayandur" Quarter

- 5. This quarter is located south of the Istanbul Highway and extends to the capbonk of the Maritsa River.
- ξ_{\bullet} . The following are the most important installations in this quarter:
 - Okoliya People's Council; located south of the Istanbul Highway, just at the Maritsa Bridge;
 - b. City People's Council; located opposite the Okoliya People's Council;
 - c. Okoliya administration of the MVR (Ministerstvo na Vütreshnite Reboti; Ministry of the Interior) and DS (Dürzhavna Sigurnost; State Security) and City Ministry Administration;
 - d. "Prosveta" School;
 - e. Young women's professional gymnasium;
 - f. "Ivan Vazov" progymnasium;
 - g. "Sveti Digitur" c'arci;
 - h. Silk factory; located in the easternmest end of the quarter;
 - i. Bank;
 - j. Notify-constructed botcl-restaurant; located on the square;
 - k. City hall;

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- 1. Offices of the TKZS; and
- m. City pharmacy (formerly the private pharmacy, "Zhan").
- 7. The "First Bayandur" is the largest of Svilengrad's quarters. It has approximately 600 families. There are BCP and TENM organizations in the quarter 25X1

"Second Bayandur" Quarter

- 8. This quarter extends between the Istanbul Highway and the Kunakliy Stream, i.e., ., it is located north of the Istanbul Highway.
- 9. The following are the most important installations in this quarter:
 - a. Pharmacy; located on the corner of the Istanbul Highway and the "Kunakliy" quarter;
 - b. The National Bank;
 - The Bulgarian Communist Party club; located on the east side of the road to the "Kunakliy" quarter;
 - d. "Dr. Petur Beron" coeducational gymnasium; located on the west side of the road to the "Kunakliy" quarter, almost across from the Party club;
 - Church, name not known; located on the east side of the road to the "Kunakliy" quarter;
 - f. Primary school, known as the "Red School;" located on the east side of the road to the "Kunakliy" quarter by the church (south of the church);
 - g. Children's playground; located on the west end of the quarter, east of the mill;
 - h. Physiculture club ("Shah Club"); located on the north side of the Istanbul Highway, in a corner building;
 - i. "Sakar" Restaurant; located in a corner building on the north side of the Istanbul Highway, across from the "Shah Club;"
 - j. Fatherland Front offices;
 - k. Post, Telephone, and Telegraph station; located on the north side of the Istanbul Highway, at the bridge over the Maritsa River, across from the Okcliya People's Council;
 - 1. "Sofia" Hotel; located on the north side of the Istanbul Highway in the area between the road to Levka and the street to the "Kunakliy" Quarter;
 - m. Barracks of the Border Guard kommandatura; located on the north side of the Istanbul Highway and east of the branch road to Levka village;
 - Veterinary medicine; located north of the Istanbul Highway and east of the barracks of the Border Guard kommandatura;
 - o. Electric power offices;

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- p. Mill; located between the veterinary medicine installation and the children's playground, on the north side of the Istanbul Highway;
- q. The Taushov and other oil mills; located near the south bank of the Kunakliy Stream and east of the road to Levka; and
- r. Carding installations; located on the east side of the road to Levka village, and one of them is immediately on the south bank of the Kunakliy Stream.
- 10. There are BCP and DSNM organizations in this quarter, but informant was unable to give details concerning their memberships or secretaries.

"Kunakliy" Quarter

- 11. This quarter extends north from the Kunakliy Stream.
- 12. The only important installations in this quarter are:
 - a. The okoliya hospital; and
 - b. The Kashever Mill

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